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– NOTICE –

INFORMATION REGARDING THE ACCEPTABILITY OF THE “MEDICAL COUNCIL OF CANADA QUALIFYING EXAMINATION” (MCCQE)

Effective July 5, 1991, the Medical Board of California may accept a passing score on the Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination (MCCQE) to satisfy examination requirements for medical licensure in this state.

At present, this means that an applicant must have passed both the written exam (Part I) and the oral exam (Part II) of the MCCQE to transfer eligibility of the passing score from Canada to California. However, if the format of the MCCQE changes in the future, applicants must pass all portions of the MCCQE in whatever format it is administered in order to transfer eligibility of the passing score.

Official original documentation from the Medical Council of Canada (MCC) must be submitted to substantiate a passing score on the MCCQE. California has not and will not be establishing separate criteria to determine what constitutes a passing score. If you have taken the MCCQE AND have received notification from the MCC that you have passed the MCCQE, the Medical Board of California will accept that passing score as reported by licensing authorities in Canada.

This information is intended to be general in nature. Specific questions regarding your application may be directed to your licensing technician or analyst at the above address or by telephone at (916) 263-2382 between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time), Monday through Friday.